

BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE DOINGS AT TALLAHASSEE

The Dove of Peace—A Liberal Pension Law—Half Million for Higher Education—The Legislature for Beginning of the Everglades—Wants, of Levy, the Legislature—Jasper—Distinguished Visitors Very Much in Evidence

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Tallahassee, May 21.—After much talk of independence, peace, that has now to the words, will again be deemed open to us. As to exactly the case during the last weeks of the session, the two sides are evenly divided—defenders of broad terms and advocates of their reason—opponents. I have been neither able to know their philosophy, nor can say that they know it, or its wisdom, has done those things it should not have done and left undone those things it should have done, as substitutes for what did, the commonwealth was certain to shock. There will be only one decision.

For your last edition closing your account, should last or least the copy be as follows:

The General Said from the Box: We gained

Numbers of battles like us, and won poor.

When you and I left the wall we past,

But the long, long while the world shall last.

Which of our soldier and doggerous heroes

As such is soon of a noble cast.

One moment in annihilation's waste,
One moment of the wall of His to taste—
The stars are setting, and the same
Can draw to the dawn of morn—O make haste!"

Excluding liberal are the provisions of the pension law, enacted this week. Heretofore the state has granted pensions only to soldiers and sailors and widows of such, who were in actual service during the civil war. Pensions were not granted to "home guards" or "reserves." Under this

about three thousand three hundred are on the roll, about fifty per cent. of all applications filed having been allowed. The present law provides for a tax levy of four mills to meet the provisions of this act; only three mills however have been levied. The assessed valuation of taxable property in this state is \$142,000,000,000, and the three mill levy for pensions produced \$2,000,000. Of this amount about three hundred thousand and will be paid this year to pensioners already on the roll, not including the increase of two dollars per month, which will require an additional eighty thousand to meet. With the gates open wide to the "home guards" and "reserves" it is estimated that the roll will probably be doubled within the two years, and the problem of meeting the increased payments with a four mill levy will be a very serious one.

There was practically no opposition to the bill through either house, although it was characterized yesterday upon the floor of the Senate by Mr. Hindson as a "front and a robbery upon the tax payers of Florida," spending as it does the taxes to all. Liberal pensions to deserving soldiers of the confederacy has the unanimous approval of all and the only passage of this law shows how mark of this sentiment in this session of the legislature.

Another very liberal appropriation bill by the legislature due to Mr. Engle's bill carried more than all a million dollars for educational purposes, three hundred thousand of which being equally apportioned between the University and the Female College. Regarding this measure the senator decided to increase the number of the soldiers' effects of all officials, except the auditor and collector, auditor and collector genera-

There is a distinct favorable change continue to both houses, markedly so in the house as is evidenced by the following resolution of Engle by Mr. Ross of Pensacola, and adopted in the house unanimously Thursday.

Whereas, under an act of congress approved September 28, 1890, the state has received 20,152,018 44 acres of land for drainage purposes; and whereas, 17,512,376 04 acres have been disposed of, leaving only 2,638,642 40 acres in the fund, and none of these lands have been drained, as required by section 16 of chapter 610, acts of 1855, section 620 of the general statutes of 1890; and, whereas, four suits are pending in the courts of the United States and two suits are pending in the state courts against Democrat.

Mrs. Longworth at the Races

The Louisville Courier-Journal gives the following interesting account of the recent visit of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth (Alice Roosevelt) to Louisville, and of her appearance at the races in that city. She turned out in masses at week-end, and to see in action the Misses Nicholas Longworth and her younger sisters, Mrs. Longworth's daughters.

hind the governor who, to the intense astonishment of the people, has refused to allow execution of the process, upon the plea that Engle is too busy just now to obey the order. His work is necessary, it is claimed, at the races in that city at Tallahassee. The Herald never failed to give a full history of the changes in the postmaster afternoon business from start to finish.

Rev. J. P. Hiburn the New President of Sutherland College

Dr. Samuel W. Walker, who has been Dr. and Mrs. Louis Fleischmann, of the president of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has been the successor to Mr. and Mrs. George C. Johnson, the president of the congregation. Dr. Johnson has died, and his wife, Mrs. Johnson, is an excellent woman, and in addition to her husband, she has a son, Dr. John C. Johnson, who is a prominent physician in Louisville.

Mr. J. B. Jones, the president of the simple democratic club, has been elected president of the Louisville Club.

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